

## **LABORERS' MASTER LABOR AGREEMENT**

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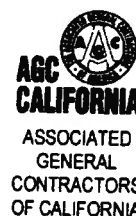
THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 26th day of June 2006, and effective the 26th day of June, 2006 through June 30, 2010, by and between the ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF CALIFORNIA, INC., herein after referred to as COLLECTIVE BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVE OF EMPLOYER, and the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LABORERS OF THE LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA, hereinafter referred to as UNION, modifying, amending and changing the Agreement made and entered into the 17th day of May, 1951, as modified by the Agreements dated June 4, 1952; July 14, 1953; April 13, 1954; April 12, 1955; April 30, 1956; April 19, 1957; June 30, 1959; July 28, 1961; June 27, 1962; July 1, 1965; June 16, 1968; June 16, 1971; July 2, 1974; May 10, 1977; April 30, 1980; January 18, 1983; March 5, 1986; November 21, 1988; May 17, 1992; June 14, 1996; May 5, 1999; and October 22, 2001 by and between the ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF CALIFORNIA, INC. and the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LABORERS of the LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA.

**WITNESSETH:**

### **Section 1 General Provisions**

#### **A. Definitions**

- (1)(a) The term "Employer" shall refer to the Associated General Contractors of California, Inc.
- (b) The term "Individual Employer" shall mean (1) an employer who has authorized the Association (Employer) to represent said Individual Employer with respect to collective bargaining with the Union; or (2) is bound to the terms and conditions of this Agreement under the subcontracting requirements of this Agreement; or (3) directly signs this Agreement with the Union as an Independent or Non-Association Member. The Employer agrees to provide the Union with a current list of Individual Employers it has authority to represent.
- (2) The term "Union" shall refer to the Northern California District Council of Laborers.
- (3) This Agreement shall apply to any employee who performs work falling within the presently recognized jurisdiction of those Local Unions of the Laborers' International Union of North America affiliated with the Northern California District Council of Laborers; except that this Agreement shall not apply to superintendents, assistant superintendents, general foremen, civil engineers and their helpers, timekeepers, messenger persons, confidential employees and office help.
- (4) This Agreement shall apply to Northern California, which term means that portion of the State of California above the Northerly boundary of Kern County, the Northerly boundary of San Luis Obispo County, and the Westerly boundaries of Inyo and Mono Counties, which includes the following counties: Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn,



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Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo and Yuba.

- (5) The "method of delivery of notices", required by this Agreement shall be satisfied by one of the following means of delivery: email, fax, certified mail, regular mail or telegram.

**B. Coverage and Description of Laborers' Work Covered by this Agreement.**

- (1) This Agreement shall cover all work coming within the recognized jurisdiction of the Laborers' International Union of North America.
- (2) Subject to the preceding paragraph and subject also to the provisions of Section 14 of this Agreement, it is agreed that Laborers' work shall include but not be limited to: All Laborers' work necessary to tend the carpenters and other building trades craftsmen, stripping of concrete forms, handling and raising of slip forms, sewer cleaners, gardening, horticulture, landscaping, trackmen (construction, maintenance, repair), all cleanup of debris, grounds and buildings, steam cleaning and all General Laborers' work. In accordance with Green Book Decision dated August 2, 1920 December 11, 1924, the loading and unloading, carrying and handling of all rods and materials for use in reinforcing concrete construction shall be done by Laborers under the supervision of such person as the Employer may designate. The hoisting of rods shall be done by Laborers, except when a derrick or outrigger operated by other than hand power is used.

All Laborers' work in connection with excavation for building and all other construction, including digging of trenches, piers, foundations and holes; digging, lagging, sheeting, cribbing and bracing of foundations, holes, caissons and cofferdams, manning, setting and moving all manually movable pumps. (This does not restrict the Laborers from performing other work.)

All Laborers' work in connection with concrete work, including chipping and grinding, sandblasting, mixing, handling, shoveling, conveying, pouring, concrete pumps and similar type machines, grout pumps, nozzlemen (including gunmen and potmen), vibrating, guniting and otherwise applying concrete, whether done by hand or any other process, and wrecking, stripping, dismantling and handling concrete forms and false work, including tending of plasterers and brick and block layers.

All Laborers' work in the excavation, grading, preparation concreting, asphalt and mastic paving, paving, ramming, curbing, flagging and laying of other stone materials, and surfacing of streets, ways, courts, underpasses, overpasses and bridges.

All work in connection with the operation of spreader boxes, such as True Lay, Rola Pavers and Laytons or similar type models, including but not limited to all shoveling and shifting material and cleaning of boxes, shall be the work of the Laborers. All Laborers' work in connection with the cutting of streets and ways for all purposes, including aligning by any method, digging of trenches, manholes, etc., handling and conveying of all materials for same; concreting of same; and the backfilling, grading and resurfacing of same.

All Laborers' work in connection with the construction of caissons, cofferdams, subways (except as covered by Master Tunnel Agreement), aqueducts, water lines, culverts, flood controls, airports, drains and sewers, and any type of conduit, no joint pipe, including the cribbing, lagging, bracing, sheeting, checking grade for pipelaying, trench jacking and handling of lagging hammers on all open trenches and ditches. All Laborers' work in connection with shoring, underpinning including cutting, fitting, placing and raising of all structures.

All Laborers' work in connection with drilling, all work of loading, placing and blasting of all powder and explosives of whatever type regardless of the method used for such loading and placing.

All signaling and rigging in connection with Laborers' work.

All Laborers' work in connection with the wrecking of buildings and other structures.

All Laborers' work in connection with the slinging, handling and placing of all rip rap, rock and stone on highways, jetties, retaining walls or wherever used.

All wrecking work on construction and/or razing sites: all Laborers' work on pre casting or prefabrication at the construction project site or at a precast or prefabrication yard specifically established and operated for that one particular construction job.

All work in connection with the operation of such equipment that is necessary and incidental to carry out the work of the Laborer.

All Laborers' work in connection with Trenchless Technology, including pipe installation, bursting, relining or similar trenchless laborer work.

All Laborers' work in connection with Dry Utilities, including electrical and telecommunication conduit layer, joint utility trench laborer including gas.

All Laborers' work in connection with Remediation/Land Restoration, including wetlands restoration, mitigation, or re-vegetation of lands, (ornamental landscape is not included in this classification).

- (3) All classifications listed in Supplement No. 1 of this Agreement which are not listed under this Section shall be included in the coverage and description of Laborers' work just as though incorporated in full in this Section.
- (4) Should an Individual Employer signatory to this Agreement subcontract the masonry or plastering portion of a project, said contract shall specify that the work to be performed shall be done under the terms and conditions of the current Masonry and/or Plaster Tender Agreement that has been negotiated by the Northern California District Council of Laborers or its affiliates, which is in effect in the territory in which the work is performed. However, Masonry work which is incidental to the work of the Individual Employer may be performed under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- (5) Any Employer not signatory to both the Tunnel and Laborers' Master Agreement shall agree that whenever work is performed which is covered by the terms of the Laborers' Master Tunnel Agreement for the forty-six (46) Northern California

Counties, the provisions of that Agreement shall be fully applicable to and binding upon the Individual Employer.

## **Section 2 Bargaining Representatives**

### **A. Union's Recognition of Collective Bargaining Representative of Employer.**

The Union hereby recognizes and acknowledges that the Collective Bargaining Representative of Employer includes in its membership a majority of the Individual Employers in the highway, general building and heavy construction industry, and said Individual Employers are performing the greater percentage of work therein. By reason of such facts the Union hereby recognizes that the Collective Bargaining Representative of the Employer, as herein-above referred to, is the collective bargaining representative for all Individual Employers who authorize the Employer to represent them with respect to Collective Bargaining with the Northern California District Council of Laborers. A list of said Individual Employers shall be furnished to the Union at the commencement of negotiations and the Employer shall furnish the Union with a complete monthly report of any additions and deletions to the list of Individual Employers represented by the Employer.

In the event the Union (District Council) enters into any other agreement with other employers or employer associations concerning the type of work covered hereby in the area which shall have terms more favorable to such employers or employer associations and the members thereof than this Agreement, then such more favorable provisions shall become a part of and apply to this Agreement only in the geographical area where such other agreement is in effect.

### **B. Employers' Recognition of Union as Collective Bargaining Representative of Employees.**

The Employer and the Individual Employers covered hereby recognize and acknowledge the Northern California District Council of Laborers of the Laborers' International Union of North America, as the collective bargaining representative for the employees in the area aforementioned covering the jurisdiction of the Union.

### **C. Access to Project**

Union Representative shall have access to the project during working hours for the purpose of checking compliance with which the terms of this Agreement are being complied.

## **Section 3 Employment and Discharge**

### **A. Union Security**

- (1) Every person performing work covered by this Agreement who is a member of the Union and in the employment of an Individual Employer on work covered by this Agreement on the effective date of this subsection 3A shall, as a condition of employment or continued employment, remain a member in good standing of the Union in the appropriate Local Union of the Union. Every person covered by this Agreement and employed to perform work covered by this Agreement shall be required, as a condition of employment, to apply for and become a member of and to maintain membership in good standing in the Union in the appropriate Local Union of the Union which has territorial jurisdiction of the area in which such person is performing work on or after the expiration of eight (8) days of employment on such

and if he/she has a telephone, his/her telephone number. If an employee does not keep the Individual Employer so informed, the Individual Employer shall be relieved of the duty of giving such notice and further he/she shall not have to pay such employee show-up time. Radio and/or TV notice is acceptable on remote projects as means of notification providing the Union is notified in writing at the commencement of the job.

## **Section 5 Higher Wages**

No employee receiving a higher rate of pay shall suffer a reduction of pay by reason of the execution of this Agreement.

## **Section 6 Lunch Time**

There shall be a regularly established meal period. The meal period shall be one-half (½) hour and shall be scheduled to begin not more than one-half (½) hour before and completed not later than one (1) hour after the midpoint of the regularly scheduled hours of work of each Employee's shift.

If the Individual Employer requires the Employee to perform any work through his/her scheduled meal period, the Employee shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate for such meal period and shall be afforded an opportunity to eat on the Individual Employer's time. However, no employee shall be required to work more than five (5) hours without time off for a meal period, which shall be not less than one-half (½) hour.

Any employee required to work more than two (2) hours overtime at the end of a shift shall be permitted a one-half (½) hour meal period for which he/she shall receive regular overtime pay. No work shall be performed by him/her during such meal period. (Meal periods may be staggered from the 10th to the 11th hour.)

## **Section 7 Records**

- A. Each Individual Employer shall provide a proper means for registering the reporting, quitting time, and as supplied by the employee, the address and telephone number of all employees covered by this Agreement. In the event of a dispute, such records shall be accessible to the business representative of the Union or Local Union during working hours.
- B. Each Individual Employer, upon request of any Trust Fund specified in this Agreement, shall permit a Trust Fund Auditor to review any and all records relevant to the enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement pertaining to the Trust Funds. Such review shall be permitted not less than ten (10) working days after demand.

## **Section 8 No Cessation of Work**

It is mutually agreed and understood that during the period when this Agreement is in force and effect, the Union or any Local Union will not authorize any strike, slow down, or stoppage of work in any dispute, complaint, or grievance arising under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, except such disputes, complaints, or grievances as arise out of the failure or refusal of any Individual Employer to comply with the provisions of the hiring clause, Section 3A or B hereof, or as permitted under Section 28B and C hereof or whenever an Individual Employer pays Laborers improperly with checks which do not clear for collection. As to any Individual Employer who shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of the sections specified herein, so long as such failure or refusal continues it shall not be a violation of this Agreement if the Union or any Local Union withdraws its members who are subject



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No employee covered hereby may be discharged by any Individual Employer for refusing to cross a picket line established by a Local Union of the basic crafts.

**Section 28A Health and Welfare Plan, Pension/Annuity Plan, Vacation Holiday Dues Supplement Plan, Training-Retraining/Apprenticeship Plan**

In continuation of the Laborers' Health and Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California, the Laborers' Pension/Annuity Trust Fund for Northern California, the Laborers' Vacation Holiday Dues Supplement Trust Fund for Northern California and the Laborers' Training-Retraining/Apprenticeship Trust Fund for Northern California (provided for in Trust Agreements dated March 4, 1953, August 2, 1963, April 1, 1985, June 4, 1963, November 19, 1968 and December 31, 1975, respectively, as amended and modified, and the appropriate plans adopted hereunder), each Individual Employer shall pay hourly contributions for each hour paid for and/or worked, including overtime pay, shift pay, show-up time pay and similar payments in accordance with the schedule specified in this Section, as follows:

EFFECTIVE DATE	6/26/06	6/25/07	6/30/08	6/29/09
Health & Welfare	\$5.14	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
Retiree Health & Welfare	\$ .30	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
Pension	\$3.26	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
Annuity	\$ 1.01	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
Vacation/Holiday/Dues Supplement	\$2.28	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
**Training-Retraining/Apprenticeship/LECET	\$ .34	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
Contract Administration	\$ .08	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *
***Industry Stabilization Fund	\$ .11	\$ *	\$ *	\$ *

\*The Union and the Employer will meet at least ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of the negotiated future increases to mutually agree on the allocation of the increases. Allocation shall become effective thirty (30) days after mutual allocation notice is received, but in no event earlier than June 26, 2006, June 25, 2007, June 30, 2008 or June 29, 2009.

\*\*Effective 6/26/06 four cents (\$.04) per hour is earmarked for L.E.C.E.T.

\*\*\*Effective 6/26/06 five (\$.05) cents per hour is earmarked for California Alliance for Jobs and one (\$.01) cent per hour for Construction Industry Force Account Council (CIFAC).

Each Individual Employer shall be subject to and entitled to the benefits of all of the provisions of the Trust Agreements specified herein establishing said Funds and any amendment or modification thereto. In order to provide for benefits to employees without disruption during periods of contract negotiations and to assure an orderly means of collecting Trust Fund contributions during such periods, each signatory employer agrees that he/she shall be obligated to contribute to each and every Trust Fund referred to in this Agreement for any period following their termination date of this Agreement unless and until a lawful impasse occurs or until a successor Agreement is negotiated. Each signatory employer further agrees that any and all said Trust Funds may enforce this obligation by action to collect such delinquent contributions filed in any court of competent jurisdiction.

The Health & Welfare Plan shall be supplemented to provide that the Trustees shall apply amounts from the contributions specified in this Agreement to such Plan for the purpose of providing benefits to

employees retired pursuant to the provisions of the Laborers Pension Trust Fund for Northern California.

The parties agree that the Trustees of the Vacation Holiday Dues Supplement Trust Fund may allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the applicable contributions for Holiday pay.

The Union and the Employer agree that the Individual Employers covered by the Master Agreement may continue the coverage of their supervisory personnel above the rank of foreman in the Laborers' Health & Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California, the Laborers' Pension/Annuity Trust Fund for Northern California, the Laborers' Vacation Holiday Dues Supplement Trust Fund for Northern California, the Laborers' Training-Retraining/Apprenticeship Trust Fund for Northern California by paying into all Trusts monthly on the basis of one hundred seventy (170) hours per month in accordance with the schedules set forth in the Master Agreement, regardless of the hours worked by any such employee in a month, provided, however, the Individual Employer having made one (1) payment on an employee shall continue to make such a payment so long as the employee is in his employ

### **Section 28B Delinquency Withdrawals**

In the event that the Board of Trustees of a fund into which the Individual Employers are required to pay, determine that an Individual Employer is delinquent in the making of any payments required by Section 28A hereof, it shall not be a violation of this Agreement, so long as such delinquency continues, if the Union takes economic action against such Individual Employer and such economic action shall not be a strike or work stoppage within the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any employees of any Individual Employer should be withdrawn pursuant to any similar clause in any agreement between the Collective Bargaining Representative of the Employer and any other Union, then the Union may respect such withdrawal, and for the period thereof, may refuse to perform any work for such Individual Employer and such refusal for such period shall not be a violation of this Agreement. Any employees so withdrawn or refusing to perform any work as herein provided shall not lose their status as employees but no such employee shall be entitled to claim or receive any wages or other compensation for any period during which he has been so withdrawn or refused to perform any work.

### **Section 28C Security For Individual Employer Payments Into Trust Funds**

Each Individual Employer delinquent by one (1) or more months in making the payments set forth in Section 28A, above shall be notified by mail by the Administrator of the Trust or Trusts applicable to such delinquency. Copies of such notices shall be sent to the Employer and to the Union. Each such delinquent Individual Employer shall, within five (5) days of the receipt of such notice (by certified mail), give a satisfactory bond in a sum equal to two (2) times the amount of the delinquency. Such amounts are to be determined by the Administrator of the Trust or Trusts applicable. Such bond is not in any way to be construed as in lieu of any payments required under this Agreement.

All such bonds shall be deposited with the Administrator and shall be in a form acceptable by the Administration of the various Trusts.

If the bond must be used to make any payments under Section 28A, the money shall be pro-rated among the amounts owed by such Individual Employer, with the first priority to the Vacation-Holiday-Dues Supplement Trust Fund, and the balance dispersed equally to the Health & Welfare, Pension/Annuity and Training-Retraining/Apprenticeship Trusts.

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Whenever an Individual Employer fails to deposit a satisfactory bond within the time provided by this Section, if the notice herein provided for has been given, the Local Union shall not be required to dispatch employees, and further economic action by the Union to obtain compliance of this Section will not be a violation of Section 8 of this Agreement.

Any employees so withdrawn or refusing to perform any work as herein provided, shall not lose their status as employees, but no such employee shall be entitled to claim or receive any wages or other compensation for any period during which he/she has been so withdrawn or refused to perform any work.

Whenever any Employer covered by this Agreement is delinquent with respect to the payment of any contributions or other sum of money due to any Trust Fund specified in this Agreement, the Union may withdraw workers and place appropriate pickets at the premises of the Employer or places where said Employer is performing work.

### **Section 28E Supplemental Dues**

Effective June 26, 2006, for all work performed, upon authorization as required by law, the amount of sixty-three cents (\$.63) per hour for each hour paid or worked, shall be transmitted from the Vacation-Holiday benefit of each laborer and shall be remitted directly to the Union; thereafter, at the discretion of the Union, the amount to be allocated out of the Vacation-Holiday benefit of each laborer may be increased up to a maximum of eighty-two cents (\$.82) per hour and remitted directly to the Union. Any such increase in the allocation from Vacation-Holiday to Supplemental Dues requires a duly executed authorization from each individual employee, as required by law; such amounts do not represent new monies but rather amounts already agreed to as Vacation-Holiday benefits negotiated by the collective bargaining parties. Any redirection of such funds shall coincide and become effective consistent with established future allocation dates.

The Union shall bear all responsibility and liability for ensuring that any and all sums received as supplemental dues are supported by proper written authorization from the employee. The Union shall indemnify, defend and hold the Individual Employer harmless to the maximum extent permitted by law from any and all claims, liability and damages arising from contentions and/or findings that supplemental dues have been collected in an unauthorized or otherwise improper manner.

### **Section 28F Wage and Fringe Increase**

June 26, 2006	\$2.00
June 25, 2007	\$1.95*
June 30, 2008	\$1.85*
June 29, 2009	\$1.80*

\*The Union and the Employer will meet at least ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of the negotiated future increases to mutually agree on the allocation of the increases. Allocation shall become effective thirty (30) days after mutual allocation notice is received, but in no event earlier than June 26, 2006, June 25, 2007, June 30, 2008 or June 29, 2009.

In the event the Laborers Health and Welfare Trust Fund falls below a six (6) month reserve, any package increase negotiated by the collective bargaining parties, shall be reviewed at least ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of such increase, and by mutual agreement such monies as are deemed necessary to provide sufficient reserve (not less than six (6) months), shall be allocated to the Health and Welfare Trust Fund. Such monies as are determined appropriate for this allocation shall have as their intent to build a six (6) month reserve.



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during its term as may be necessary to assure the work opportunities of the employees and the competitive position of the Individual Employers.

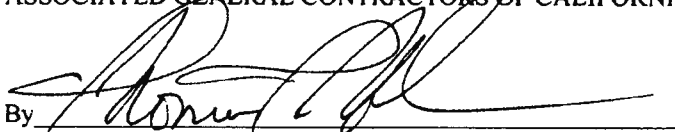
It is agreed that in the event either party should exercise its rights under the paragraph first above set out, they will for a period of sixty (60) days prior to the 30th day of June, 2010, or June 30th of any succeeding year bargain with each other with respect to all wage rates, working conditions and hours of employment for the work herein covered.

Should an impasse be reached during the course of future negotiations to amend and/or extend the present Agreement, or during the course of negotiations over a new agreement, either party may submit the items in dispute to the Dispute Settlement Board established in the AGC Basic Trades Joint Labor Management Committee Impasse Settlement Plan for resolution. The findings of the Dispute Settlement Board shall be binding on the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals by respective officers duly authorized to do so, this 21st day of April, 2006.

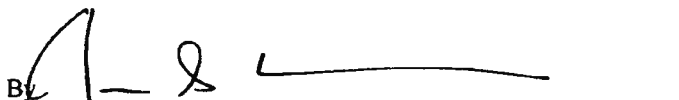
**FOR THE EMPLOYER:**

ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

By   
Thomas T. Holsman, CEO

**FOR THE UNION:**

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LABORERS OF  
THE LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA

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